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NOTE TO: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Secretary Weinberger

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1. In the attached, [] notes that the Secretary's defense posture statements are being prepared right now and they are carrying Soviet procurement rates based on DIA's high estimates. As you remember, the folks in SOVA are developing a case that the procurement rates in recent years not only have not been on the high side but in some cases have been almost flat.

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2. All [] is asking is that you caution the Secretary that we have some research underway in this area that a few weeks hence could contradict his posture statement and/or give the appearance of a major clash between CIA and DoD -- a development which would serve no one's interest.

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3. Our analysis is not complete and the draft paper still has problems to be fixed so please do not pass it to the Secretary. Even so, I think you should urge him to proceed with some caution in this area. General Gorman has been briefed and has said he will keep the Chairman from getting out on a limb.

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